



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re patent application of

Freier et al.

Application No.: 10/052,487

Group Art Unit: 1742

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Examiner: D. Yee

For: PROCESS FOR PRODUCING A COLD-ROLLED STRIP OR SHEET OF STEEL
AND STRIP OR SHEET WHICH CAN BE PRODUCED BY THE PROCESS

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**RESUBMISSION OF
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Sir:

An Information Disclosure Statement, Form 1449 and copies of listed art were submitted for the above-identified patent application on October 23, 2003 as evidenced by the enclosed stamped postcard receipt. A Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due and Notice of Allowability were issued in this application on January 13, 2004. The Notice of Allowability did not acknowledge receipt or consideration of the previously submitted Information Disclosure Statement.

Submitted herewith is a resubmission of the Information Disclosure Statement, Form 1449 and copies of the listed art which were originally submitted on October 23, 2003. It is respectfully requested that these be considered and made of record in this application and that a Supplemental Notice of Allowability be issued and forwarded to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.97 through 1.98 and pursuant to applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, applicant respectfully brings the following documents, cited in a European Search Report and listed on the attached form PTO-1449, to the attention of the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application. Copies of the listed documents are provided herewith for the convenience of the Examiner

This citation does not constitute an admission that the references are relevant or material to the claims. They are only cited as constituting related art of which the applicant is aware.

In compliance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.989(a)(3), as concise statement of relevance, as it is presently understood by the individual designated in 35 U.S.C. 1.56 most knowledgeable about the content of the information, the undersigned attorney of record submits that:

1) the relevance of DE 38 03 64, EP 0 400 031 and DD 285 298 belong to the same patent family. A member of this patent family is US5,139,580 which covers the disclosure of DE 38 03 064 and EP 0 400 031 as well as DD 285 298

2) the relevance of DE 195 47 181 is that it is equivalent to US5,906,690.

3) the relevance of DE 196 22 164 is that it is equivalent to US6,162,308.

Applicant hereby petitions for consideration of the Information Disclosure Statement. Applicant is filing concurrently herewith a Certification under 37 C.F.R. 1.97(e), and attached is a check in the amount of \$180.00 to cover the statutory fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(h).

Please charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-2041

Respectfully submitted,

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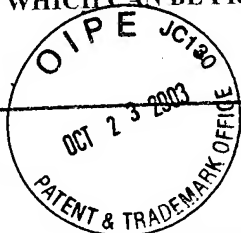
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- 1 postcard + copy
- 2 PTO forms 1449
- 15 associated art form
- 1 transmittal letter

in the above identified application.

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